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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) will take place.

DATES: Day 1 - Open to the public Tuesday, December 12, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Day 2 - Open to the public Wednesday, December 13, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Hilton Alexandria—Mark Center (Arbor Conference Room), 5000 Seminary Road, Alexandria, VA 22311.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jessica Myers, (703) 697-2122 (Voice), 703-614-6233 (Facsimile), jessica.c.myers4.civ@mail.mil (Email). Mailing address is 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 04J25-01, Alexandria, VA 22350. Website: <http://dacowits.defense.gov>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to receive briefings

and updates relating to their current work. The meeting will open with the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) giving a status update on the Committee's requests for information. This will be followed with four panel discussions on the following topics: DoD Strategic Initiatives; a USMC Strengthening the Transformation Update; Military Service Academy Admissions; and School Residency Policies on Pregnancy. The second day of the meeting will open with a briefing from the DoD Transition to Veterans Program Office on Transition Assistance Program Curriculum and Resources. This will be followed by a briefing from the Department of Labor on Women Veteran Statistics. Day two will end with a Public Comment Period.

Agenda: Tuesday, December 12, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. - Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements; Request for Information Status Update; Panel Discussion: DoD Strategic Initiatives; Panel Discussion: USMC Strengthening the Transformation; Panel Discussion: Military Service Academy Admissions; Panel Discussion: School Residency Policies on Pregnancy; Public Dismissed. Wednesday, December 13, 2017, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. - Welcome and Announcements; Briefing: Transition Assistance Program Curriculum & Resources; Briefing: Women Veteran Statistics; Public Comment Period; Public Dismissed.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, this meeting is open to the public, subject to the availability of space.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140, and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the DACOWITS. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the point of contact listed at the address in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 4, 2017. If a written statement is not received by Monday, December 4, 2017, prior to the meeting, which is the subject of this notice,

then it may not be provided to or considered by the DACOWITS until its next open meeting. The DFO will review all timely submissions with the DACOWITS Chair and ensure they are provided to the members of the Committee. If members of the public are interested in making an oral statement, a written statement should be submitted. After reviewing the written comments, the Chair and the DFO will determine who of the requesting persons will be able to make an oral presentation of their issue during an open portion of this meeting or at a future meeting. Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.140(d), determination of who will be making an oral presentation is at the sole discretion of the Committee Chair and the DFO, and will depend on time available and if the topics are relevant to the Committee's activities. Five minutes will be allotted to persons desiring to make an oral presentation. Oral presentations by members of the public will be permitted only on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in front of the full Committee. The number of oral presentations to be made will depend on the number of requests received from members of the public.

Dated: November 15, 2017.

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